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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in an International Search Report mailed July 3, 2002.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the International Search Report.

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<i>PL</i>	3,566,315	02/23/1971	Vinding	<i>333</i>	<i>204</i>	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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<i>PL</i>	56 168401	12/24/1981	JP			abstract	
<i>PL</i>	08 046412	02/16/1996	JP			abstract	
<i>PL</i>	09 139612	05/27/1997	JP			abstract	

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)



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